North Cheyenne Cañon Park

Master and Management Plan



Community Workshop

September 19, 2017

Preliminary List of Issues

(The following preliminary issues list was drawn from discussions with City staff and from responses received from interviews with approximately 15 stakeholder representatives, approximately 10 residents near Cresta Open Space and Stratton Preserve Open Space, and 198 online surveys.)

Access

- Traffic: volume; management; safety; after-hours; enforcement; bicycles; shuttle service; speed limits
- Parking: volume; along roads; inadequate space in lots; how space is used; horse trailers; Seven Falls' impacts; pedestrian safety; increase at trailheads
- * Public access to private property
- * Private access to public property
- * Provide for people with disabilities

Additional Park use

- * Geocaching
- * Educational field trips

Climbing/ice climbing

- * Lack of parking and trails to and facilities at ice-climbing areas
- * Need for climbing and ice-climbing management plans
- * Congestion on popular routes

Cycling

- * Parking for bicycles
- Bike lanes on roadway with appropriate striping

History

 Protection of historic facilities: walls; bridges; amphitheater; water pump stations

<u>Interpretation</u>

- * Flora/fauna/historic/water tours and nature walks
- * Appeal to youth: get kids outside
- * Water: history and current presence
- * Native American history in the Cañon
- * Education: altitude impacts; mountain driving; weather
- * Focus in Starsmore Visitor & Nature Center: educational or retail

Management

- * Maintenance: on trails; throughout Park
- * Sustainable design
- * Enforce Park rules: dogs on leash/dog waste disposal; Gold Camp Road; night-time use; camp fires; gun use; vandalism
- * Fire mitigation: need for; techniques
- Parking lot security

Master Plan timing

Lack of ruling on land exchange appeal

Public safety

- * Need for enforcement
- * Emergency services
- * Jurisdictional issues
- * Night-time activities in Park

Services and facilities

- * Lack of restroom facilities
- Access to drinking water
- * Lack of information in the Park
- Need for trash facilities.

Signage

- Directional/wayfinding
- * Security: parking lots; emergency services
- * Park rules
- * Trail routes/connectivity/difficulty
- Use of technology

Special events

- * Gating at night
- Need for Park guidelines

<u>Trails</u>

- Connectivity: within Park; with nearby open spaces; to U.S. Forest Service property
- Need for additional trails
- * Provide variety of difficulty levels
- Additional trailheads
- Continued use volunteer designers and builders
- * Motorized use
- Make some directional

User conflicts

- * On trails: hikers/ bikers/ horses/segways
- On roadways: vehicles-to-vehicle/bicycles/hikers/skateboards/ segways
- * Dogs off-leash
- * Near ice-climbing areas

Visitors

- * Increased volume
- * Experience
- * Support facilities: restrooms; drinking water access; trash receptacles